

Alvin T. Smith House  
Forest Grove, Oregon  
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ALVIN T. SMITH HOUSE  
Forest Grove, Washington County  
Oregon

Owner: Heirs of Smith; Peter Dyke lives on the place.

Date of Erection: late 1850's.

Architect:

Builder: Built for A. T. Smith.

Present Condition:

Number of Stories:

Materials of Construction: Built of home-made materials, hand dressed timbers and lumber.

Other Existing Records:

Additional Data: Alvin T. Smith was born in 1802 in Connecticut. The house was built on 640 acres, DLC; the estate is now 540 acres, 320 of which are in cultivation. Last owner, H. T. Danforth, nephew of pioneer's last wife, died December 5, 1936. Smith had no children, but adopted a daughter. His house was noted for olden-time hospitality. The house is a typical pioneer farm home, large roomy structure, designed as if for large family, but really to accommodate visitors, who were there constantly on travel through this section.

References: Oregon Historical Society, Portland.  
Mrs. Callender, St. Francis Hotel, Portland.

"DLC" means Donation Land Claim

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